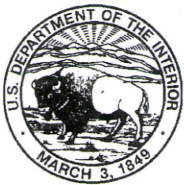


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Green River District, Price Field Office  
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CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED  
#7010-1060-0001-1119-3740

Mr. Wesley K. Sorensen  
General Manager – Skyline Mine  
Canyon Fuel Company, LLC  
HCR 35, Box 380  
Helper, Utah 84526

Re: Equipment Abandonment - Skyline Mine

Dear Mr. Sorensen:

On August 3, 2012, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a request from Canyon Fuel Company, LLC (CFC), operator of the Skyline Mine, for approval to abandon equipment in the 1 Left Tailgate intake and bleeder entries due to a squeeze zone involving floor heave and roof failure making the travelway nearly impassable. The abandoned equipment consists of a power center, a sump tank, a dust pod and a pickup truck on federal coal lease UTU- 67939.

### **Background:**

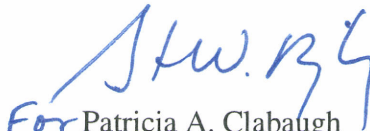
- A Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) inspection was performed by the BLM on June 12, 2012, prior to starting the seal construction on the 1 Left - 6 Left longwall gob block. The BLM inspector found no hazardous materials in or around the 23 seal locations.
- On August 3, 2012, the BLM received a request from CFC, operator of the Skyline Mine, for approval to abandon equipment in the 1 Left Tailgate Intake and Bleeder entries due to a squeeze area involving floor heave and roof failure making the travelway nearly impassable. This equipment will be abandoned in by the seals currently under construction.
- On August 6, 2012, the BLM forwarded CFC's request to the Manti-La Sal National Forest and Division of Oil, Gas and Mining for their review. The agencies have noted the situation and have no objections.

**Purpose:** Recovery of the abandoned equipment will subject mine personnel to unnecessary hazards associated with floor heave and poor roof conditions that have left a nearly impassable travelway.

**Approval:** Due to actions taken by the mine to drain and remove all fluids and batteries from the abandoned equipment, the BLM has determined that allowing the abandoned equipment to be left underground is in compliance with the lease terms and conditions and CERCLA requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact Vaughn Hughes at (435) 636-3626.

Sincerely,

  
For Patricia A. Clabaugh  
Field Manager

Enclosure

Squeeze and Equipment Location Map

cc: Roger Bankert  
BLM State Office (UT-923)

Green River District Office  
William Stringer

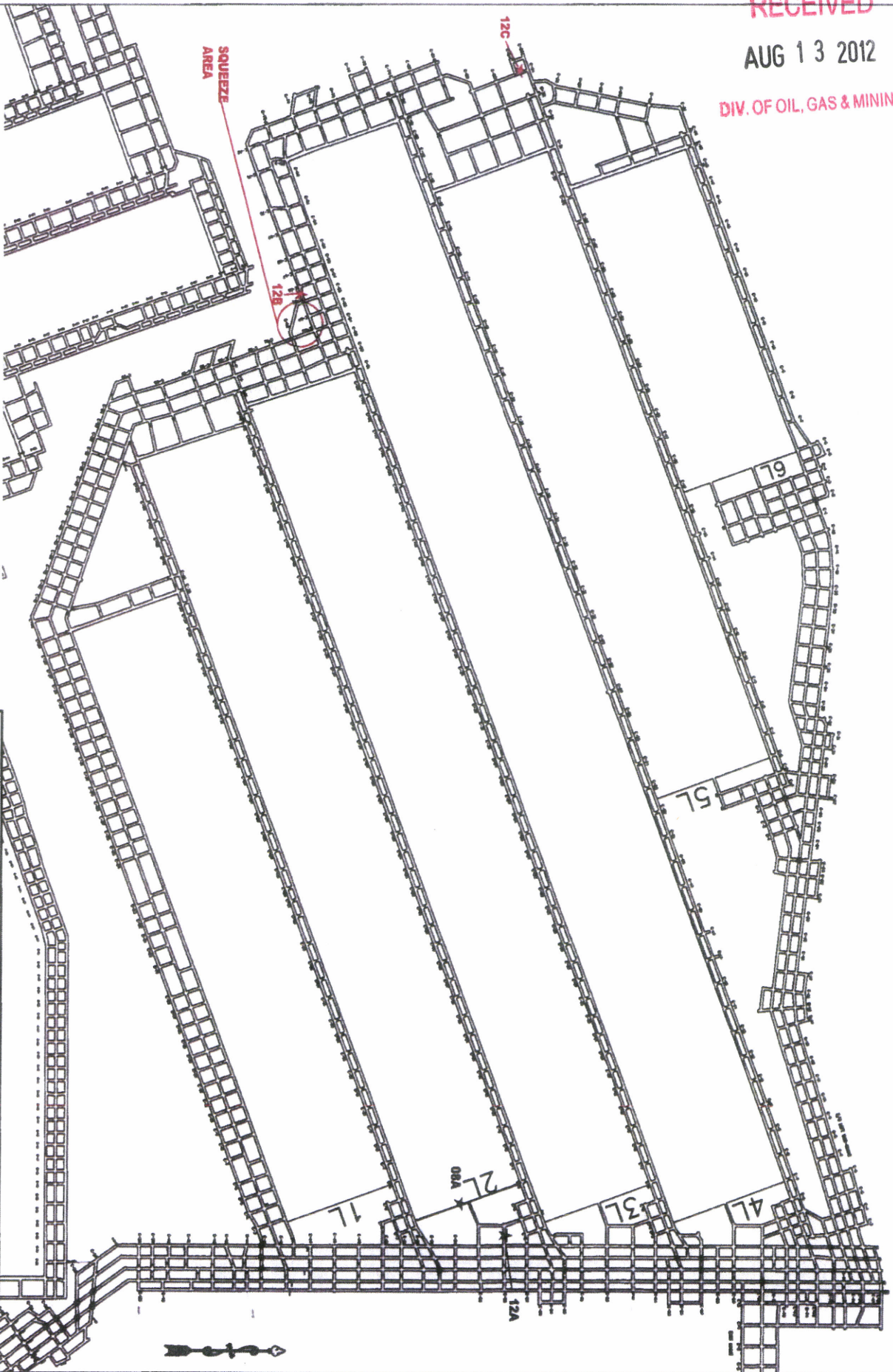
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**08A ★**  
**EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:**  
 148 EACH GULLICK DOBSON  
 SUPPORTS - SHIELDS ONLY  
 (EMULSION WAS DILUTED TO 97-100%  
 WATER, ELECTRONICS, LIGHTS AND  
 BATTERIES WERE REMOVED)  
**ABANDONED 08A08**  
**EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:**  
 167 PIECES ARMORED FACE  
 CONVEYOR  
 STEEL ONLY

**12B ★**  
**EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:**  
 PICKUP TRUCK - ALL FLUIDS DRAINED  
 BATTERY REMOVED abandoned 8/12  
**12C ★**  
**EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION:**  
 POWER CENTER SLUMP TANK AND  
 DUST POD - STEEL ONLY abandoned  
 8/12

REVISIONS			
DATE:	BY:	REVISION:	
6/25/12	BM	Added 12B, 12C, and Equipment area.	

**MINE 3 LEVEL 3**

**ABANDONED MINING EQUIPMENT LOCATIONS**

**Canyon Fuel Company, LLC**

**Skyline Mines**

DATE: 7/09/12 (X) BY: CW

SCALE: NO SCALE (OR BY: B, BEDX)

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